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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Langer *et al.*

Examiner: Martinell, J.

Serial No.: 09/314,540

Art Unit: 1633

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For: *Modification of Surfaces Using Biological Recognition Events*

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Applicant respectfully requests a two (2) month extension of time, from August 21, 2001, up to and including October 21, 2001 to respond to the Office Action mailed May 21, 2001, in the above-referenced case. Responsive to that Office Action, Applicant requests entrance of the following Amendments into the case, and consideration of the following Remarks:

In the claims:

Claims 1, 2, 6, 8-10, and 66 have been amended to more distinctly point out and claim the present invention, and have not been amended for the purpose of overcoming any of the stated rejections. Additionally, Applicant has cancelled claims 4, 5, 14-54, 64, and 69-72 to expedite prosecution of this case. Applicant explicitly reserves the right to pursue the claims as originally filed in a continuation application if desired. Specifically, Applicant respectfully requests amendment of the claims, as follows:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Amend claims 1, 2, 6, 8-10, and 66 to read as follows:

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